

A *Cosmic*
CHRISTMAS

Experiencing God's Divine Love

Luke 1:39-45

We can see God's divine love in His people.

In those days Mary set out and hurried to a town in the hill country of Judah where she entered Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth.

Luke 1:39-40 (CSB)

We can trust God's divine love because of
His promises.

Blessed is she who has believed that the Lord would fulfill
what he has spoken to her!

Luke 1:45 (CSB)

Now listen: You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of his father David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and his kingdom will have no end.” Mary asked the angel, “How can this be, since I have not had sexual relations with a man?” The angel replied to her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore, the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.

Luke 1:31-35 (CSB)

For a child will be born for us, a son will be given to us, and the government will be on his shoulders. He will be named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. The dominion will be vast, and its prosperity will never end. He will reign on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish and sustain it with justice and righteousness from now on and forever. The zeal of the Lord of Armies will accomplish this.

Isaiah 9:6-7 (CSB)

Both declare the coming of a
divine child.

Isaiah: A child is born, a son is given

Luke: You will conceive and bear a son

Both assign titles that reveal a
divine identity.

Isaiah: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace

Luke: Jesus, Son of the Most High, Holy,
the Son of God

Both describe an eternal kingship.

Isaiah: His government will have no end; He will reign on David's throne forever.

Luke: He will receive David's throne and His kingdom will never end.

Both reveal the Messiah's role as
Savior and ruler.

Isaiah: Bringer of peace, justice, and righteousness

Luke: His name, Jesus, means "Yahweh saves."

Both reflect God's divine love.

Isaiah: The zeal of the Lord accomplishes this.

Luke: The Holy Spirit will come upon Mary.

Be strong and courageous; don't be terrified or afraid of them. For the Lord your God is the one who will go with you; he will not leave you or abandon you."

Deuteronomy 31:6 (CSB)

Keep your life free from the love of money. Be satisfied with what you have, for he himself has said, **I will never leave you or abandon you.**

Hebrews 13:5 (CSB)

**We can experience God's divine love
because of His salvation.**

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leaped inside her, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. Then she exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and your child will be blessed! How could this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For you see, when the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby leaped for joy inside me.

Luke 1:41-44 (CSB)

For he will be great in the sight of the Lord and will never drink wine or beer. He will be filled with the Holy Spirit while still in his mother's womb. He will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God. And he will go before him in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of fathers to their children, and the disobedient to the understanding of the righteous, to make ready for the Lord a prepared people.”

Luke 1:15-17 (CSB)

Look, I am going to send you the prophet Elijah before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers. Otherwise, I will come and strike the land with a curse.”

Malachi 4:5-6 (CSB)

For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John. And if you're willing to accept it, he is the Elijah who is to come.

Matthew 11:13-14 (CSB)